



So Many are Still Malnourished

Even with India's progress and burgeoning middle class, the economic benefits elude so many of the country's poor children. Kids fall through the cracks and suffer unnecessarily and in inhumane ways, lacking even the basic needs.

Yesterday, our friend Rukkhi (whom you helped a few months ago) asked us to help her friend's two little kids, Sandeep (age 9) and Bhuvaneshwari (age 7), who really need a new childhood. They remind us of why we continue to do this work and that the success stories that we share, although full of hope, are too few and far between in modern-day India.



Rukkhi brought the kids to us because their father is a drunk and has tried to poison their food. Mom works as a dishwasher at wedding halls and earns whatever income the family has, which is not much.

Mom wants the kids to live with Rukkhi (who is near our home) to get them away from their always drunk father. Grandma is very worried about the kids and can stay with Rukkhi to help take care of the kids, and she can help Rukkhi around their little home.

The kids are well behaved but cannot read or write. Sandeep should be reading at 4th grade level and Bhuvaneshwari at the 2nd grade level. They've already missed 2 1/2 months of school and need to catch up, and we'll help them with daily tutoring at our home after school.

We can't imagine what it is like for these kids to watch their father drink every day and night and then get so drunk that he tries to poison them. It took a bit to get Sandeep and Bhuvaneshwari to smile, but they eventually did.



Mom, Aunty Rukkhi (in the wheelchair), Sandeep, and Bhuvaneshwari.

They Need Your Help

Consider a donation to help Sandeep and Bhuvaneshwari, which will go to paying for their education, tutoring, and nutritional supplements. Mom, grandmother, and their Aunty Rukkhi, will be forever grateful for giving these kids a new chance at a better life.

Here's a replay of a video of a few of our other kids who have been with us for a long time. They tell you how their lives have changed over their years while living with us, and we hope that kids like Sandeep and Bhuvaneshwari can have the same bright future!

Thank you.

The Operation Shanti Team

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